

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) ~~Method~~ A method of recording information on a recordable multi-layer record carrier, ~~said record carrier comprising~~ having a plurality of information layers including at least a first information layer and a second information layer for storing information, the method comprising acts of:
  - dividing data content to be recorded on the recordable multi-layer record carrier into data blocks;
  - recording the data blocks of the data content on the recordable multi-layer record carrier such that the data content is substantially evenly distributed between each of the plurality of information layers;
  - wherein the ~~information~~ data content is recorded such that an a data area containing actual information ~~one or more data blocks~~ of the data content stored on the first information layer and an a

data area containing ~~actual information~~ one or more data blocks of  
the data content stored on the second information layer are of  
substantially equal size and such that both data areas are  
superjacent.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) A recordable multi-layer record carrier,  
said record carrier comprising:

a plurality of information layers including at least a first  
information layer and a second information layer for storing  
~~information, wherein the information~~

data content divided into data blocks that are recorded on the  
recordable multi-layer record carrier such that the data content is  
substantially evenly distributed between each of the plurality of  
information layers,

wherein the data content is recorded such that an a data area  
containing actual information one or more data blocks of the data  
content are stored on the first information layer and an a data  
area containing actual information one or more data blocks of the  
data content stored on the second information layer are of  
substantially equal size and such that both data areas are  
superjacent.

5. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the recordable multi-layer record carrier is an optical disk, and wherein the method further comprises an act of shifting middle zone areas of at least the first and second information layers towards an inner radius of the disc such that the data areas of the first and second information layers are filled with a portion of the recorded data content.

6. (New) The method of claim 1, where dividing the data content comprises an act of dividing the data content into portions of substantially equal size, and wherein recording comprises an act of

recording the portions of the data content to the data areas of the plurality of information layers.

7. (New) The method of claim 6, wherein dividing the data content into portions of substantially equal size comprises an act of dividing the data content based on recording time.

8. (New) The method of claim 6, wherein dividing the data content into portions of substantially equal size comprises an act of dividing the data content based on a size of the data content to be recorded.

9. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the data content is video data.

10. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the data content is audio data.

11. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the data content is audio/visual data.

12. (New) A method of recording information on a recordable multi-layer optical disc having a plurality of information layers, the method comprising acts of:

dividing data content to be recorded on the recordable multi-layer record carrier into data blocks; and

recording the data blocks of the data content in data areas of the plurality of information layers such that the data content is substantially evenly distributed between each of the plurality of information layers,

wherein recording includes an act of shifting middle zone areas of the plurality of information layers towards an inner radius of the disc such that the data area of the plurality of information layers are (i) substantially equal size, (ii) substantially filled with a portion of the recorded data content and are (iii) spatially aligned.

13. (New) The method of claim 12, where dividing the data content comprises an act of dividing the data content into portions of substantially equal size, and wherein recording comprises an act of recording the portions of the data content to the data areas of the plurality of information layers.

14. (New) The method of claim 13, wherein dividing the data content into portions of substantially equal size comprises an act of dividing the data content based on recording time.

15. (New) The method of claim 13, wherein dividing the data content into portions of substantially equal size comprises an act of dividing the data content based on a size of the data content to be recorded.

16. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein the data content is video data.

17. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein the data content is audio data.

18. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein the data content is audio/visual data.